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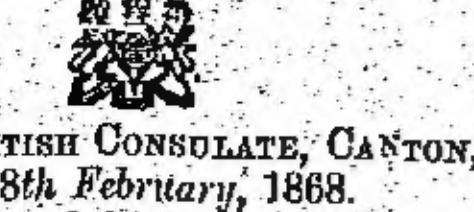
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CONSULAR NOTIFICATION.



BRITISH CONSULATE, CANTON,

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The undersigned has to certify that by instructions from His Excellency Sir Rutherford Alcock, K.C.B., H.M.'s Minister Plenipotentiary &c., &c., in China, the British Consular Agency at Macao was closed on the 21st January, and will not for the present be re-opened. The Masters of British vessels will be required henceforward to deposit their ships' papers with the Captain of the Port at Macao.

D. B. ROBERTSON,
H. M.'s Consul.

LOCAL.

The full report given by us of the case, 'The Queen v. Webster,' will appear in our Overland edition. Should any extra copies be required, it will be necessary that orders reach us latest by 9 A.M. to-morrow.

The Band of the 73rd Regt. will perform in the Public Gardens on Tuesday, the 11th inst., commencing at 4.30 o'clock P.M. The following is the programme:

OVERTURE, "Preciosa," Weber.
QUADRILLAS, "Muzon," Strauss.
SELECTED, "Norma," Bellini.
VARIETY, "Corn Flower," Coote.
GALOP, "One Rust & One Ruh," Danner.
M. E. Troy, Band Sergeant, Conductor.

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Montalvo, y Ca., Havana.

McKeevy, Mr P., San Francisco.

McKown, W., St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.

Mills, Mr Moses, 223, New York, U.S.

Morgan, Mr J., New York, U.S.

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General Post Office, Hongkong.

6th February, 1868.

THE NORTH.

By the *Formentor* we have Shanghai papers to the 6th instant. The *Daily News* says—

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The first case of damage to the "Prairie" was brought up by Mr Pidgeon since the decision in the Prairie case, was disposed of to-day. It was against a boatman, for having driven in a wedge between two stones of the Sea Wall. His Worship remarked that he supposed prisoner cared not whether the Praire Wall stood or not; but as its repairs cost a great deal to those upon whom fell the expense, he would fine him 10s. or 7 days' imprisonment.

Six Chinese were charged by Inspector Ofries with gambling in what he thought was a public gambling-house. Some of the prisoners had been fined before for gambling. His Worship observed that, if the Inspector could not prove that the prisoners were engaged in gambling in a public gambling-house, he could do nothing in the matter. In the same way as a foreigner was perfectly entitled to play at what in his own house

with his friends, so were the Chinese at liberty to play at games of chance, so long as they did not engage in public gaming. The Inspector said that he stumbled accidentally on the gamblers. Two were found under the bed, one was found endeavoring to scramble over a wall. Mr Grimes said that he did not wish to press the charge, as his Worship said it was a dangerous thing to risk the decision of so delicate a question upon insufficient evidence. Prisoner discharged.

Inspector Grimes, in reference to an attempt to commit burglary early this morning, informed the Court that there was a burglary shot last night by Sikh No. 351 near Shek-tong-tay, but that the prisoner was in Hospital, where he was likely to remain for about a week. It appears that two or three of the Hill gang were disturbed about 1 o'clock this morning, when two of them ran up the Hill, and another made towards the Praya. Sikh No. 351 brought this one down with a shot in the leg. There appears little doubt but prisoner is a burglar, for he was almost caught in the house on the alarm being given.

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The first case of damage to the "Prairie" was brought up by Mr Pidgeon since the decision in the Prairie case, was disposed of to-day. It was against a boatman, for having driven in a wedge between two stones of the Sea Wall. His Worship remarked that he supposed prisoner cared not whether the Praire Wall stood or not; but as its repairs cost a great deal to those upon whom fell the expense, he would fine him 10s. or 7 days' imprisonment.

Six Chinese were charged by Inspector Ofries with gambling in what he thought was a public gambling-house. Some of the prisoners had been fined before for gambling. His Worship observed that, if the Inspector could not prove that the prisoners were engaged in gambling in a public gambling-house, he could do nothing in the matter. In the same way as a foreigner was perfectly entitled to play at what in his own house

with his friends, so were the Chinese at liberty to play at games of chance, so long as they did not engage in public gaming. The Inspector said that he stumbled accidentally on the gamblers. Two were found under the bed, one was found endeavoring to scramble over a wall. Mr Grimes said that he did not wish to press the charge, as his Worship said it was a dangerous thing to risk the decision of so delicate a question upon insufficient evidence. Prisoner discharged.

Inspector Grimes, in reference to an attempt to commit burglary early this morning, informed the Court that there was a burglary shot last night by Sikh No. 351 near Shek-tong-tay, but that the prisoner was in Hospital, where he was likely to remain for about a week. It appears that two or three of the Hill gang were disturbed about 1 o'clock this morning, when two of them ran up the Hill, and another made towards the Praya. Sikh No. 351 brought this one down with a shot in the leg. There appears little doubt but prisoner is a burglar, for he was almost caught in the house on the alarm being given.

A Chinawoman appeared to complain against her husband, who wished her to live with him, although he had no means of providing her with food. She had gone to live with her father, where she could find food. The Magistrate informed her that it was, of course, the duty of a wife to go with her husband, but at the same time neither he nor his husband could force her to do so.

We hear that the British Admiral, Sir Harry Keppel, paid a visit of inspection to the newly-acquired Naval Yard (at Shanghaia Wharf Company), on the 4th instant. The P. & O. Co.'s Steam-Tug having been placed at his disposal for the purpose.

The cross actions of the *Argus* and *Lady Louisa* terminated on the 3rd instant. Without leaving the Beach, the Court decided that both vessels were to blame for the collision which occurred, and a judgment for both defendants, without costs was accordingly entered.

On the 2nd instant, the Rev. Mr Muirhead delivered his farewell sermon to a crowded congregation in Union Chapel, Shanghai, and few there were who heard that discourse, but came away softened and affected by its solemn import. Mr Muirhead stated that it was his intention to return to China, and renew his labor in the interior of the country; and we cannot close these remarks without wishing him a long life of future usefulness, and a safe and pleasant passage home.

We extract from the same paper the following sentence relative to the forthcoming Races, which will doubtless interest our sporting readers—Mr Barnard's appearance on the Hongkong course, the day following his arrival, created quite a sensation, and his horse

Post-Office Notifications.

MAILS BY THE "CHINA."

The Contract Packet "CHINA," will be despatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c., on WEDNESDAY, the 12th inst., at 7 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 9 P.M. on the 11th inst.; Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 9 P.M. on the 11th inst. until 6 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 5 and 6 A.M. on the 12th inst. will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a Late Fee of 18 cents.

The latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 6 A.M. and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 5 A.M. on the 12th inst.

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Letters posted after 5 A.M. will not be forwarded unless the Late Fee as well as the postage is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writer as early as possible, but no guarantee can be given that such Letters, if posted after 9 P.M. on the 11th inst., will be returned until after the mail is closed.

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F. W. MITCHELL,
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(Signed) THOS. AUSTIN,
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True Copy.
(Signed) F. BAYLEY,
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NOTICE.
OUR Ship-handling Business has now been Removed to Praya, No. 30 and 31, the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs. PETERSON & CO., Successors to Messrs. JOHN STUSS & CO., FREEKES, RODATZ & CO., Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE OFFICES of Messrs. AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO. have this day been removed to their old Premises adjoining the Cathedral, Hongkong, December 28, 1867.

REMOVAL.
THE Undersigned have this day removed their STORE from Praya East to the PREMISES No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD Central, formerly occupied by the CENTRAL BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.

MACEWEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 6th December, 1867.

VIEW OF HONGKONG.
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